Please amend the Claims to read as follows:

1.   (Amended) A method for a risk carrier to assume monetary

risks from a plurality of risk cedents, comprising the steps

of:

(a) posting on a server by said risk carrier of a plurality

of proposals to assume selected risks of respective

risk cedents such that said proposals are viewable

through a computer network;

(b) initializing on said server an available risk

assumption capacity of said risk carrier associated

with said proposals;

(c) enabling electronic submission by any one of said

cedents of one of said proposals to assume selected

risks associated with said cedent as an offer by said

cedent to cede a selected risk for acceptance by said

risk carrier;

(d) electronically accepting, by said risk carrier, said

offer submitted by one of said risk cedents;

(e) electronically recalculating said available risk

assumption capacity upon accepting said offer; and

(f) electronically withdrawing from availability for

submission as an offer any of said proposals whose

acceptance by said risk carrier would reduce said

available risk assumption capacity, as recalculated,

below a selected amount.

5.   (Amended)A method for a risk carrier to assume monetary

risks from a plurality of risk cedents, comprising the steps

of:

(a)   posting on a server by said risk carrier of a proposal

       to assume a monetary risk of selected risk cedents such

       that said proposal is viewable by said selected risk

       cedents through a computer network;

(b)   initializing on said server an available risk

       assumption capacity of said risk carrier to accept said

       proposal from said selected risk cedents;

(c)   enabling electronic submission by any one of said

       selected risk cedents of said proposal to assume a

       monetary risk as an offer to cede the monetary risk for

       acceptance by said risk carrier;

(d)   electronically accepting, by said risk carrier, said

       offer submitted by one of said selected risk cedents;

(e)   electronically recalculating said available risk

       assumption capacity upon accepting said offer; and

(f)   electronically withdrawing said proposal from

       availability for submission as an offer to cede the

       monetary risk if further acceptance of said offer would

       reduce said available risk assumption capacity, as

       recalculated, below a selected amount.

8.   (Amended) A method for ceding a plurality of monetary risks
      from a risk cedent to a risk carrier, comprising the steps
      of:

      (a)   posting on a server by said risk carrier of a plurality
            of proposals to assume a plurality of risks of said
            cedent such that said proposals are viewable by said
            cedent through a computer network;

      (b)   initializing on said server an available risk
            assumption capacity for an amount of risk said risk
            carrier will assume from said risk cedent;

      (c)   enabling electronic submission by said cedent of any
            one said proposals to assume a plurality of risks as an
            offer to cede the plurality of risks for acceptance by
            said risk carrier;

      (d)   electronically accepting, by said risk carrier, said
            offer submitted by said cedent;

      (e)   electronically recalculating said available risk
            assumption capacity upon accepting said offer; and

      (f)   electronically withdrawing from availablity for
            submission as an offer any of said proposals which have
            not been submitted for acceptance and whose acceptance
            would reduce said available risk assumption capacity,
            as recalculated, below a selected amount.

11. (Amended)A method for a reinsurer to sell treaty type

reinsurance to a plurality of selected cedents, comprising

the steps of:

(a) evaluating an insurance portfolio of each of a

plurality of cedents;

(b) developing proposals to reinsure selected insurance

portfolios of said selected cedents;

(c) posting of said proposals on a server by said reinsurer

such that said proposals are viewable through a

computer network;

(d) initializing on said server an available reinsurance

capacity of said reinsurer to accept said proposals;

(e) providing access through said computer network to said

selected cedents to view said proposals;

(f) enabling electronic submission by any one of said

selected cedents of one of said proposals as an offer

to cede a selected risk for acceptance by said

reinsurer;

(g) receiving said offer from said cedent by said

reinsurer;

(h) electronically accepting, by said reinsurer, said offer

from said cedent;

(i) electronically recalculating said available reinsurance

capacity upon accepting said offer; and

(j)   electronically withdrawing from availability for
      submission as an offer to cede a selected risk any of
      said proposals whose acceptance would reduce said
      available reinsurance capacity, as recalculated, below
      a selected amount.

16. (Amended) A method for a reinsurer to sell reinsurance for a plurality of classes of insurance to a plurality of cedents, comprising the steps of:

(a) developing, for each of said classes of insurance, a proposal to reinsure insurance portfolios of said cedents;

(b) posting of said proposals on a server by said reinsurer such that selected ones of said proposals are viewable by selected ones of said cedents through a computer network;

(c) initializing on said server an available cedent capacity for each of said cedents and an available per occurrence capacity for each of said proposals;

(d) enabling electronic submission by any one of said cedents of one of said proposals to assume selected risks associated with said cedent as an offer to cede a selected risk for acceptance by said reinsurer;

(e) electronically accepting by said reinsurer of said offer submitted by one of said selected cedents;

(f) electronically recalculating said available cedent capacity of said cedent and said available per occurrence capacity of said proposal upon accepting said offer; and

(g) electronically withdrawing from availability for

submission as an offer any of said proposals whose

acceptance would reduce said available cedent capacity

or said available per occurrence capacity, as

recalculated, below a selected amount.

21. (Amended) A method for a risk carrier to assume monetary
risks from a plurality of risk cedents, comprising the steps
of:

(a) posting, by said risk carrier, on a computer network, a
     plurality of proposals to assume selected risks of
     respective risk cedents such that said proposals are
     viewable through said computer network;

(b) initializing on said computer network an available risk
     assumption capacity of said risk carrier associated
     with said proposals;

(c) enabling electronic submission by any one of said
     cedents of one of said proposals associated therewith
     as an offer to cede a selected risk for acceptance by
     said risk carrier;

(d) electronically accepting, by said risk carrier, said
     offer submitted by one of said risk cedents;

(e) electronically recalculating said available risk
     assumption capacity upon accepting said offer; and

(f) electronically withdrawing from availability for
     submission as an offer any of said proposals whose
     acceptance would reduce said available risk assumption
     capacity, as recalculated, below a selected amount,
     such that electronic submission of any of said

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proposals which have been withdrawn from availability

is prevented.